# FISCAL NOTE

### SB 3820 - HB 3493

February 4, 2008

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Repeals the state's inheritance tax beginning in tax year 2009.

#### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

Decrease State Revenue – \$75,200,000 / FY09-10 Exceeds \$76,600,000 / FY10-11 and thereafter

### Assumptions:

- The current single maximum exemption level for state inheritance tax for tax year 2009 is \$1,000,000.
- Under this bill, the state would repeal the inheritance tax beginning in tax year 2009.
- Under the Economic Growth and Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2001 (EGTRRA), the federal maximum exemption level for 2009 is \$3,500,000.
- EGTRRA repeals the federal estate tax for calendar year 2010 and then reinstates the tax beginning with tax year 2011 at the 2001 level.
- Current state law allows filing extensions up to nine (9) months from decedent's death.
- Inheritance tax revenue is often collected in the fiscal year subsequent to the decedent's death due to the filing extension period.
- Inheritance tax is permanently repealed beginning with tax year 2009.
- The decreases of state revenue are estimated to be \$75,200,000 for FY09-10 and by amounts exceeding \$76,600,000 for FY10-11 and each fiscal year thereafter. Such estimates have been based on Monte Carlo simulations conducted by the Department of Revenue.
- This proposed legislation does not apply to generation-skipping transfers after December 31, 2009 or to the estates of decedents dying after December 31, 2009.

# **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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